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Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives with regard to the
return of Saif Ahmed.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. LAMPSON (for himself, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. BECERRA, Mr. ORTIZ, Mr. REYES, Mr. GREEN of Texas, and Mr. BENTSEN) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

RESOLUTION

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regard to the return of Saif Ahmed.

Whereas the married couple Sayed Ahmed and Melanie Al Mufti had a son, Saif Ahmed, in 1995;

Whereas Melanie Al Mufti and Sayed Ahmed were divorced in February 1998;

Whereas Saif was abducted by his father in 1998;

Whereas Sayed Ahmed later fled the country with Saif and escaped to Egypt;

Whereas the State of Texas granted legal custody of Saif Ahmed to Melanie Al Mufti, and the United States Government has issued an arrest warrant for Sayed Ahmed;

Whereas the Department of State believes Saif now resides in Cairo, Egypt;

Whereas Melanie Al Mufti, even with the assistance of missing children organizations, has been unable to reunite with her son;

Whereas the Department of State, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and INTERPOL have been unsuccessful in their attempts to bring Saif back to the United States;

Whereas Melanie Al Mufti has not seen her son in almost one year; and

Whereas it will take the continued effort and pressure on the part of Egyptian officials to bring this case to a successful conclusion: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That it is the sense of the House of Rep-
2 resentatives that the governments of the United States
3 and Egypt immediately locate Saif Ahmed and deliver him
4 safely to his mother, Melanie Al Mufti.

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